

REMARKS

Claims 17-33 are pending in the application. The Office has rejected claims 17 and 20-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 stating that the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Office has also rejected claims 17-33 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Tamboli et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,792,431; hereinafter “Tamboli”). This is a non-final Office action and is responsive to Applicant's communication filed on or about July 7, 2006.

101 Rejection of Claims 17, 20-24

Applicant has amended claim 17 to provide a “computer-implemented” method. Furthermore, Applicant’s claim has a requirement for “translating a data element” which provides a useful, concrete and tangible result thereby rendering the claimed invention statutory subject matter.

Amendments to Claims 17, 25 and 32

Applicant requests that the amendments to the claims be entered into this application. No new matter is being added. Support for the changes is found in the specification (e.g., page 1, para. 3; page 5, para. 21).

102(e) Rejection of all Claims

Tamboli does not show or suggest “transferring the translated data element to the second software component when a function of the second software component is called by the first software component,” as now required by Applicant. At least this requirement is missing from Tamboli. Therefore, the rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

103(a) Rejection of the Dependent Claims

Claims depending from claims 17, 25, and 32 are allowable for at least the same reasons presented above.

CONCLUSION

Applicant asks that the Office reconsider this application and allow all pending claims. Please charge any fees that might be due, excluding the issue fee, to deposit account 14-0225.

Respectfully submitted,

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